

The Jewels in the Crown



Hueston Woods Covered Bridge

Built 2012. The first new wooden covered bridge built in Preble County in over 100 years. This bridge is Burr Arch truss construction, patented in 1804, and it has a span of 108 ft over Four Mile Creek in Hueston Woods State Park. Two walkways along the sides offer safe passage and scenic views to pedestrian traffic.



Roberts Covered Bridge

Built 1829-1830. Ohio's oldest covered bridge, and the last of its "double-barreled" bridges. Built to carry the turnpike over Seven Mile Creek south of the City of Eaton, the bridge was moved to its location in Eaton in 1991. This bridge also uses the Burr truss system. Six large arches are used to create an 85-ft span.

Preble County, Ohio

We invite you to explore the many opportunities Preble County has to offer our visitors. From scenic rural landscapes to dining, shopping, sports, and other activities.

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Preble County is located in the southwestern quadrant of Ohio along the Indiana border and is conveniently positioned on the east-west backbone of our nation – Interstate 70. This strategic location serves as a hub with easy access to Columbus, Dayton, and Cincinnati, OH; to Indianapolis and Richmond, IN; and to all points beyond.



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the COVERED BRIDGES of Preble County, Ohio

Throughout the 19th Century, from 1829 until 1896, 29 covered bridges were built in Preble County.

Some were built for turnpikes, one for the railroad, one by a private enterprise, and some to replace original bridges destroyed by a storm in May, 1886.

Over time, for one reason or another, most of these bridges have been removed and replaced. However, Preble County is very fortunate to have seven antique covered bridges still standing.

On June 23, 2012, over 100 years since the last covered bridge was built, the all-new Hueston Woods Covered Bridge was dedicated.

This brochure is your guide to explore the rich covered bridge heritage of Preble County, Ohio.



Evret S. Sherman & Preble County Bridges

The six covered bridges shown on this page were all built by E. S. Sherman, who came to Eaton in 1886, from Delaware County, OH. He was awarded contracts to build 15 bridges, some of them to replace existing bridges damaged during a storm in 1886.

Sherman used the Childs truss patent to build 14 of these bridges. The only Childs truss bridge ever built outside Preble county was one Sherman built in 1874 in Delaware County.

Interestingly, our surviving antique covered bridges include the oldest, Roberts Bridge, 1829, and the last one built, Warnke Bridge in 1896.



Warnke
Covered Bridge
Swamp Creek Road
1896

Latitude: 39.87366798
Longitude: -84.51451256



Dixon's Branch
Covered Bridge
Lewisburg
Community Park
1887

Latitude: 39.84572717
Longitude: -84.53550013



Geeting
Covered Bridge
Price Road
1894

Latitude: 39.84363746
Longitude: -84.59699305



Harshman
Covered Bridge
Concord-Fairhaven
Road
1894

Latitude: 39.70220387
Longitude: -84.76958956



Christman
Covered Bridge
Eaton-New Hope
Road
1895

Latitude: 39.77032215
Longitude: -84.65521649



Brubaker
Covered Bridge
Brubaker Road
1887

Latitude: 39.65157064
Longitude: -84.54404915



Roberts
Covered Bridge
Beech Street
City of Eaton
1829

Latitude: 39.74027955
Longitude: -84.63873083



Houston Woods
Covered Bridge
Camden-College
Corner Road
2012

Latitude: 39.59194656
Longitude: -84.77052602

